IN THE DOMAIN OF WOMAN.

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full of deep content. This new cut of the nether draperies certainly adds to the height and slenderness of those who are booked this month for that trying walk up the church aisle, though in all respects the bridal dresses are prettier than ever before. Any rich white silken goods is acceptable for a wedding gown, but if you must be wed in the most fashlonable fabric of the season you will have a white duchess silk. This is neither more nor less than a very heavy peau de sole, and sugar white is the proper inflection of blanched purity in which it must be chosen. Having gone thus far afield in search of novelty, an October bride can content herself with some of the orthodox and long approved properties of her romantic position. For instance, she cannot be more fashionable than trim her white robe with pearl or silver passamentrie. Perhaps the silver appliques lead in popularity, chiefly because they are woven and worked in such attractive patterns of wreathed columbine and lily of the valley, myrtle blooms and laurel-shaped leaves, or trails of gleaming orange blossoms and true lover knots. Seed pearl passamentrie is very chaste and classical in pattern, and some of it that can be extolled for its appropriateness showed flights of doves; of various sizes, bearing

pearly sprays of olive in their seed pearl Limerick Lace.

There is no use trying to be dogmatic on the question of lace for the all important toilet. Any lace that is pretty and good is fashionable, though Limerick is the kind that brides-to-be seem to prefer. This is made in so light and graceful a pattern and enough, so when a knot of black velvet, with in such abundance in Ireland that it is, of all hand-made laces, the least expensive.

Perhaps it is as well, also, to comment on the brevity of the wedding gown trains. A half a dozen yards of white satin is considered rank and tasteless extravagance in any but a royal personage who dresses according to tradition largely. The fair republican orders the back breadths of her skirt to curtain out six to ten inches, and that is alf, and if you turn up the bottom of the well-built train you will be apt to and substantial to a degree. The Audubonite find it lined, unlike the front of the skirt, might well weep, also, over the too evident with brilliant silver tissue.

marriage robe, it is essential to say that a in most cases, simply because there seem very high Medici collar is typical of all to be no more wings, nor heads, nor tails the best examples. Wired lace, or silk to use. Deprived of crisp songster's plummuslin shirred on to a wire frame, is what age, the makers of hats have recoiled on every properly costumed woman requires, truly hideous decorations of velvet and silk and some of these comb-shaped collars are and a few ibis and argus-eyed pheasant cut in three gothic points, or rounded just as often as they are squared off. Exceedingly pretty collars are made all of silver lace, or the edge of a silk muslin collar is trimmed with a stiff, narrow border of this bright decoration.

In sharp contrast to the Medici ruff at the rear is the low-cut of the collar in front. It was customary, up to the past spring, to swathe all brides, even to the ears, in close-fitting satin, and this was said to be the consequence of the wedding celebrated by daylight. A very few women did profit women venture to further soften this by carving the neck out in a very small point in front. Dressmakers do not hesitate to say that before the crop of weddings for the spring of 1899 is gathered in the approved bridal dress will be decollete and

Cascade Veils.

Rare and yet more rare every year is the woman who elects to wear to the altar the



A DUCHESSE SATIN ROBE.

all-enveloping veil of tulle. Veils are almost universally pinned back from the face, and in a narrow cascade of tulle or lace. down the shoulders. Brides have come to the conclusion that the veil interferes with 'the well-planned tableau her gown should present, and that a shower of tulle prevents appreciative womankind in the congregation from taking in all the best points of the the top skirt are all relieved by a decoracostume; therefore, at some of the more recent weddings, only two delicate tabs of lace fell from the crown of the head to the waistline of the wife-to-be.

Other brides, seen so far, have adopted

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NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—It is a poor fashion, small narrow tulle streamers with finely the girls signify to what extent the tailor is not nearly enough dormitory room for the tucked edges, and these diminishing vells tashions have gone in walking suits. One army of young collegians, and more residence woman is making valiant war are fastened to the head by coronets of of the pretty gowns has its upper portion dence halls are to be added. against the new skirt, autumn brides are white roses just as often as by orange blos- of skirt and waist of sage green cloth, and noticeable, with the vast amount of silver used on wedding gowns, that slippers of slivered kid are growing into a distinct vogue. These are remarkably pretty, and a great relief to the ugly white sarcophagus in which even dainty feet appear to the most painful disadvantage.

> October Hats. The millinery carnival increases in interest every day and the development of the wide felts are to be watched with care. Not yet have the possibilities of the shepherdess shape been exhausted, and some exceedingly bewitching examples of soft, wide satin finished felts are seen trimmed with velvet and plumes, and very gay roses in the rear. Nearly all the wide eaved dark hats have a narrow fold of velvet running about the inside edge of the brim, this velvet a bright color, such as turquoise blue on a sapphire blue felt, yellow on a brown felt and so on. One remarkable phase of hat decoration is displayed by some prettily colored felts, having low, small crowns and soft brims of moderate width. The decoration for these is all massed exclusively on one side of the brim, leaving the crown and remainder of the brim absolutely simple. Now the consequence of this sounds far more gruesome in the telling than in the reality, for the felt is usually of a pale color, relieved by cordings of black velvet, describing many lose-set circles on the hat. The narrow black lines turning round and round on the light brim and crown seem almost trimming

beautiful effect is the result. Audubonites Will Weep.

a twist of tulle and a clump of small ostrich

tips, is perched on the very edge of one

side of the brim, an original but not un-

A number of truly attractive hats have their crowns made wholly of the softly toned breasts of birds that would make an Audubonite weep, and the brim is rucked tulle, though the majority of our hats are solld fact that with the best will in the world to Touching the remaining topography of the trim hats with wings, they have desisted, quills. They lay ponderous velvet sashes about heavy felt hats with a lavishness of hand that promises early baldness to those who will meekly submit their heads to this hot and weighty gear.

It is a relief to turn from these apoplectic hats to the airy, gracious little mantels that are wrought out for winter wear to the theater, concerts, etc., or wherever a bit of frou-frou muffling is needed at the throat. Net flounces, of varying widths, edged with ostrich feather trimming, is what they are composed of. Of course, they are cut shawlshaped, and the pretty custom is to put this arrangement, but the majority of black flounces on a foundation of some brides appear to much better effect when highly colored silk. So closely set are the their white gowns open a little at the ruffles that when the mantel hangs dethroat. Now, at last, we have the fronts murely from its wearer's shoulders it apof collars cut to the base of the neck, while pears sober enough. Let it be moved ever so slightly, however, and gleams of scar or copper yellow taffeta are seen.

A goodly number of such wraps are lined with some light fur and fall nearly to the knees, and to further lift all accusation of somberness from them, a looped chain of colored beads encircles the neck at the base of the medici collar and forms a clasp under the wearer's chin.

Tailor Styles for Children.

Consider the younger generation how it is growing this winter most rapidly into very advanced tailor-made fashion. Oh, mothers! With the little girls this is most noticeable, for they are as close of skirt and as braided of body as their elders. As to the small boy, there are few articles of his father's wardrobe he does not possess in miniature. It is true, of an evening he only wears a dinner jacket, as claw-hammer coattails are not yet his, but very impressive s his little bell-crowned silk hat and the amply frocked coat in which he trots to hurch, to family weddings and to such unctions as the boy under 15 is entitled to articipate in.

The military activities of the time are also reflected in juvenile raiment, for the knee breeches of him who still takes an interest in mumblety-peg are by choice of a rich blue cloth and show a band of narrow black braid down the outside of either leg. The coat is cut on the pattern of an officer's fatigue jacket, hooking up snugly from hip line to chin, and this, with a dark blue fatigue cap, braided in black, gives a fair idea of what the approved autumn school

suit should be. Straight buttoned dark blue cloth coats, with a couple of capes, are what the little men wear over these suits on chill days, and to further emphasize the exceeding manliness of their wardrobes the school boys, when in full dress, wear shirts that have board bosoms and lofty stiff collars. A touch of gayety is lent in scarlet velvet raistcoats with gilded buttons that the older masculines might profitably adopt, just as some of the small dinner jackets have their lappels faced with sky blue or bright red satin. Altogether, the little boy is a very pleasing object to contemplate these days, even if he is a trifle progressive.

Illustrations of Fashions. Of the bridal dresses given in the set of sketches, one, and undoubtedly the prettiest, is made of white duchess silk and chiffon. The chiffon forms the yoke of the waist and shows as an under petticoat, and it is rucked in close-set gathered pleats. The lower half of the body, the sleeves and tion of silver passementric running in Louis XV. pattern and the veil of tulle is adjusted to the hair by a wreath of white

A companion dress shows how Limerica lace, a little pearl trimming and white fleur de mai silk can be happily combined The lace flounces, skirt and body forms the yoke of the waist, and grows into a lofty Medici collar. By means of a tall silver comb the veil is fastened to the head, and the train to this gown is just what a good bridal train should be.

To one who is to make a second visit to Hymen's altar, the third costume is recommended. In the original this is an orchidcolored satin-faced cloth. By orchid color a very tender tone of lavender is indicated, and down the side and about the foot the skirt is enhanced by a trimming of violet satin, edged with silver braid. Bands of lace, violet satin and bright streaks of silver braid form the pointed vest of the body, from which rolls back a ruffle rever of orchid-colored silk, trimmed in harmony with the skirt. A silk Medici rises at the back of the neck, and a hat of orchid tinted felt beautified with knots of violets, white tulle and wired bows of black velvet, completes the attractive toilet.

Boys in calling, school and evening dres are shown in the group of children, while

soms. Sometimes tall, richly carved ivory the lower halves of the richer rifle green. combs fasten tulle veils in place, as Span- Both top of skirt and body are cut in a among the foremost institutes of learning. ish women wear their mantillas, and it is series of jagged points, that overlap the rose like the phoenix from the ashes of dark green portion, and are finished with its disastrous fire two years ago. Five black silk braid. Points of sage green ex- | new and wonderfully handsome dormitories tend on the sleeve cap, and in the rear this built last season are now occupied, but, alpretty petticoat has its placket hole snugly though no new candidates have been acfastened by a row of small green buttons.

outlines the sloping yoke, edges the cuta- students.

dates constantly applying for admission.

are telling the same tale. Smith college ment is necessary to run any college, the was founded twenty-three years ago, open- tuition fees never being sufficient to cover ing with only twelve students. It now en- annual expenses. The three first steps taken rolls 1,000 and is the largest women's col- will be the erection of an administration lege in existence, although its entrance re- building, then a dormitory and the providing quirements are severe, and it has not of- of a permanent endowment. fered any extensive elective inducements. having adhered strictly to its regular course requirements. It began with one or two buildings; it now numbers twenty-two, with three more about to go up, and still there is not nearly enough dormitory room for the

Mount Holyoke, which has passed through various educational stages, and now ranks. It was Washington Irving who told Scott all cepted since last April, because of lack of original. Miss Gratz was loved by a youth The second school suit is cedar brown space, these buildings are full to overflow- belonging to one of the very best iam-camel's hair, garnished on the scant skirt ing, and two more halls could easily have liles in the Quaker city, but, although she camel's hair, garnished on the scant skirt ing, and two more halls could easily have liles in the Quaker city, but, although she been filled by the necessarily rejected

way tails of the body, besides forming the Wellesley, with its immense body of un-



belt. Claret-colored buttons of polished | dergraduates and score of fine structures show on the sleeve. With the first gown is worn a tidy little walking hat of sage green beaver, well covered with pipings of rifle green velvet. A knot of velvet and two short gray-green plumes are fastened

to the up-tilted edge of the brim. The smart little hat for the sister gown s a Romney shape, of brown satin felt, and the long red feathers that flow toward the rear have their quill points thrust into the felt, with knots of plnk roses near the hair and to one side of the brim.

MARY DEAN.

CROWDED COLLEGES. Ambitious Girls Knocking in Vain at

the Doors.

The rapidly increasing demand for the higher education for women is something ies, also the additional accommodations pro- girls have to room in the city, vided in the main building by the recent So great is the want of more facilities to

crystal fasten the front of the waist and cannot house all its girls, many of whom live in the village and walk out to chapel and lectures every day.

The latest bulletins from Bryn Mawr an nounce that the five halls of residence Merion, Radnor, Denbigh and Pembroke, East and West, are overcrowded, and two large houses, Dolgelly and Cartreff, belonging to the college, have been thrown open

for the undergraduates. And these are only a few of the leading knowledge. If the ideal drops into his hands feminine colleges; the Woman's college of he throws it to the ground as worthless and Baltimore, the Sophie Newcomb of New begins to climb again. Would it be reason-black sequins, as many people would say. Orleans. Wells college, which is Mrs. Grover able to think, after working so hard for Cleveland's alma mater, the Western Re- cherries, that he would value them long if serve, and a dozen others, all founded within | he ate a surfeit of them? the last twenty-five years, are splendie proofs of the progress and popularity of

college course for girls. If more evidence is needed, turn to the astonishing. Thirty years ago only two affiliated colleges, such as Radeliffe with colleges for women existed—Elmira and Davard and Barnard with Columbia, where Vassar, Mt. Holyoke being then only a the privileges are identical for men and seminary. Elmira's first graduating class women alike; or to the great co-educational numbered seventeen, while Vassar's could universities of the west, where Ann Arbor, only hoast four learned young bachelors of the Leland Stanford, jr., Oberlin, the Uni-Today a single class at Vassar num- | versity of Chicago and innumerable others bers over 200 students, and notwithstanding swarm with brainy young women. The Uni- acter to a gown of one of the pretty shade of brown. the erection in 1893 of Strong hall, and in versity of Chicago alone has three big dormi-1897 of Raymond hall, both large dormitor- tories for its fair sex, while numbers of its

going up of Rockefeller recitation hall, and meet the cry for the collegiate education of

built at once to make room for the candi- up as one of its objects the reinstating of Evelyn coffege, the index of Princeton uni-And this state of affairs does not exist versity, which closed its doors a year ago at Vassar alone-all the women's colleges from scarcity of funds, as a large endow-

HEROINE OF "IVANHOE."

hiladelphia Woman Sketched by Scott in His Famous Novel. Rebecca Gratz, founder of the Foster Jew-

ish home in Philadelphia, whose portrait was unveiled in that institution the other day, was the original of Sir Walter Scott's famous heroine Rebecca in his novel of "Ivanhoe. about Rebecca Gratz, of her many charms, personal and intellectual, and of her fine character. Out of these conversations Sir Walter built up his grand heroine in "Ivanhoe"-a heroine who has been known and admired by millions who never heard of the loved him in return, she sacrificed herself to her religion and refused to marry him. Matilda Hoffman, the love of Irving's life, was Miss Gratz's dearest friend. The beautiful Jewess was the daughter of Michael Gratz, an Austrian, who settled in Philadelphia in 1750 and engaged in the Indian trade. After the revolution he acquired large landed interests in many parts of the country. Among these was the Mammoth cave in Kentucky. His daughter was born in 1781 and lived to be 88 years old. Henry Clay paid her marked attention. One of he aunts married Dr. Nicholas Schuyler and was never forgiven by her family. Miss Gratz was very charitable and founded many institutions, among them the Foster home. She was beautiful and highly cultured in every way. The recently unveiled portrait was painted by Thomas Sully and copied by Miss Wilhelmine Loos.

LEATHER ON LEATHER.

Some Handsome Designs for Home Adornment. A new style of embroidery which com-

mends itself to those in search of substantial needlework is done with leather on leather. Chair cushions, hammock cushions, borders for heavy table covers and portierres are aong the many articles for which it is used. The ground work is as a rule of some dark. rich colored skin, and the work is done with the lighter shades.

A border for a handsome pair of portierres is of maroon leather, on which is worked an upright row of fleur de lis in yellow leathers, with stems and leaves of green. The effect is very handsome and unusual. A chair cushion which was made to correspond with a library furnished in quartered oak and Malachite, is of green leather, with the head of a huge tawny lion worked in. The work is not difficult if one can believe those who have made a study of it, and most of all requires practice.

The pattern is first sketched on the leather foundation, then gone over with a keen bladed instrument made for the purpose, and outlined by tiny slits and holes. It is into these incisions that the working leather, which is cut into strips of various widths, is drawn, thus forming the design. This working leather can be had in almost as coarse bodkins with blunted points and long, stylish jacket has a straight, loose front, one sat behind her and made remarks about the narrow eyes. Many smaller articles intended upper and two lower pockets. as Christmas presents for men are being made, and the work seems particularly well adapted to such use.

THE CURSE OF FAMILIARITY.

Much Marital Unhappiness. In their strife for mental equality with or the scalloped edges. Some men, says a writer in the Ladies' Home of the scallops are bound with bias bands of Journal, women have unintentionally broken down a fine reserve of manner which are with very narrow braid or piping. down a fine reserve of manner which previously lent them an air of mystery, of woman who greets a man friend with "Hello, old man!" or its equivalent in nodern slang, might in return be called "a bloom rubbed off.

ound the familiarity that breeds contempt. find it attractive. When a boy climbs a tree for green apples or cherries, whichever he prefers, he con-stantly sees a better one higher up beyond they are to appear will support them. It hidden by foliage. And so man's ideal woman hangs at the tip-top of the tree of And these are only a few of the leading knowledge. If the ideal drops into his hands

Frills of Fashion. Black velvet ribbons edge the mass of white ruffles which form the petticoat front

to some evening gowns. The black and white which are seen much in combination this fail have to be used with judgment to avoid a cheapening effect.

The baby Persian lamb is to be found an effective trimming on the bodices of many gowns. It is effective in giving char

Stylish skirts are made with the plaid of the bias and apparently of the thick woole material of which golf capes are made. The are pretty on slender women The new vicunas and French camel's hat

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these goods are remarkably light. working leather can be had in almost as Very pretty jackets of this fawn color, many shades as embroidery silk and is resultable plable. The needles used are are to be found at reasonable prices. A

> Rhinestone buttons, large and small, appear on many pretty frocks, cut steel orna-ments, a large plain crystal button; and just finished a course of study in the law, there is nothing prettier than the plain crystal button which has no ornamentation. Small crystal buttons are also used.

Great favor is shown to capes, overskirts, coats and skirt decorations, showing rounded

A stylish dark walking suit has the effect of a long outdoor garment. superiority, in the best sense, than which straight front, buttoned the full length with no element is more successful in holding a large rubber buttons, four or five of them, man's interest, love and respect. The young and they are met by buttons of the same kind and size which run the full length of the skirt, which has the effect of an open

ing.
The very becoming Medici collar is seen peach," but she would be a peach with the on many reception gowns. With this high loom rubbed off.

Every day I become more convinced that a square cut neck filled in with soft puffed at the root of the increasing evidences of muil, the effect is very pretty and much af-widespread marital unhappiness would be fected by elderly women. Delicate women who cannot wear an uncovered throat also

Hat ornaments are enormous. It is goin his reach, until he nearly breaks his neck will require some management of the heato get the one out of his stretch, partly to obtain an equilibrium. Many of these hidden by foliage. And so man's ideal enormous clubs are of fet, and two stylier ones seen in one hat—big pins with enormour round heads, in the front of it—were of dul All colors are combined with the black. A beautiful shade of orange that appears in millinery might be called frosted orange in contradistinction to the burnt orange which has been so much used. It has a pretty white frosted effect.

Feminine Personals. Mrs. Leland Norton of Chicago owns the nly cat - ach in the United State Mrs. Martha Taylor of Dinah's Corners, Del., took her first railroad ride last week and saw her first trolley car.

Mrs. Thomas Sears of Bennington, Vt as received a check for \$160,000, her share a her grandfather's estate in England. Miss Zephyr Adler, who is regarded as one f the most beautiful women in Nashville, fenn., has joined the Salvation Army. Mrs. Annie Kline Rickert, once a famo onfederate spy, is now president of the tockton & Tuclumne County railroad, a

ixty-mile track in California.

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of these fabrics. While warm in quality, Mary, who is inspecting the houses of the order in this country, is now in Detroit. A woman in a New York theater, wearing a high hat, screamed and jumped into a cab when her escort tried to hit a man who had

> Mrs. Theodore Sutro, wife of the well which she undertook in order to assist her husband in his work

Miss Anna Northend Benjamin, a southern girl who acted as a war correspondent in the Santiago campaign, is going to lecture on



BRIDAL TOILET FOR A WIDOW

her experiences to women's clubs in the New England and middle states. Miss Edith W. Skerrett, daughter of the late Rear Admiral Skerrett, U. S. N., who has been a belle in Washington society, will go upon the stage this season, making her debut in William Gillette's new play, "Be-cause She Loved Him So." She takes this step because her father died poor. She was ready a year ago to try it, but gave it up to ourse her mother through a serious illness. The North China Herald says that one of the most heroic women of China is Mrs. B. C. Patterson, M. D., of the Southern Presbyterian mission, Hauchien, North Kiangsu. Eighty miles from any other foreign woman, perself and baby exposed daily to the famine fever, while her husband was away helping the starving thousands, she has in nine months had 8,000 patients and expects to re-main at her post during the heated term, ministering to the sick and suffering. The diamonds worn by the young queen of

Holland at her coronation recalled a singular bit of criminal history in the style of the career of the notorious Colonel Blood. On September 25, 1829, while Holland and Belgium were still under one crown, burglars broke into the royal palace at Brussels and carried off the jewels of the princess of Orange Appendix and particular and processing the princess of the pri carried off the jewels of the princess of Orange, An offered reward of \$10,000 brought in the information that the jewels had been brought across the Atlantic by an Italian named Polari and were buried near Brookyn. Some of the diamonds were found, but with the rest the informer and his mistress had fled to Europe, a portion of the plunder being concealed in Belgium. When caught by the police they gave up their regal spoil and thus Queen Wilhelmina was able to ap-pear in the family heirlooms.

But few people have ever realized to what extent Empress Elizabeth of Austria car-ried her private charities. She was not, like so many other wealthy women, satisfied with sending money to the poor; far more refined and delicate was her way of giving, for she preferred to do so in person and almost always incognito—that is to say, she took as many precautions to conceal her good deeds as did her namesake, Elizabeth of Hunzary. Many a sick bed was brightened good deeds as did her namesake, Elizabeth of Hungary. Many a sick bed was brightened by the flowers and fruit, of which Elizabeth always insisted upon carrying her fair share. Her sweet face brought light and joy to the miserable wretches rolling their fevered bodies on dingy beds; no sore was too repulsive, no task too fatiguing, for her slender imperial hands; and, instead of the cant which is used by so many when bent on such errands, she would find some engourag-ing, cheering words of hope and sympathy untainted by religious exaggerations and preachings, which went straight to the which went straight to the heart of the sufferers.

